

said town and to perform the duties of the office, and the said mayor pro tempore is hereby invested with all the powers and authority conferred upon the mayor by the charter of said town to try and determine all actions arising within the jurisdiction of said mayor.

SEC. 32. That the aldermen shall form one board, and a majority of them shall be competent to perform all the duties prescribed for the aldermen, unless otherwise provided; within five days after their election they shall convene for the transaction of business, and shall then fix stated days of meeting for the year, which shall be as often at least as once in every calendar month. The special meetings of the board of aldermen may also be held on the call of the mayor, or a majority of the aldermen; and every such meeting when called by the mayor, or all of the aldermen, and when called by a majority of the aldermen, such as shall not join in the call, shall be notified in writing.

Aldermen to
form a board.

SEC. 33. That if any member shall fail to attend a general meeting of the board of aldermen or any special meeting of which he shall have notice as aforesaid, unless prevented by such cause as shall be satisfactory to the board, he shall forfeit and pay for the use of the town the sum of five dollars.

Failure to
attend meeting.

SEC. 34. That the aldermen when convened shall have the power to make and provide for the execution thereof such ordinances, by-laws, rules and regulations for the better government of the town as they may deem necessary: *Provided*, the same be allowed by the provisions of this act and be consistent with the laws of the land.

Power of
aldermen.

SEC. 35. That among the powers hereby conferred on the board of aldermen, they may provide water and lights, shall provide for repairing and cleaning the streets, regulate the market, take all proper means to prevent and extinguish fires, make regulations to cause the due observance of the Sabbath, appoint and regulate town watches, suppress and remove nuisances, preserve the health of the town (from contagious or infectious diseases), appoint a chief of police and additional policemen to execute such precepts as the mayor and other persons may lawfully issue to them to preserve the peace and order and execute the ordinances of the town, and shall appoint and provide for the pay and prescribe the duties of all such other officers as may be deemed necessary from time to time.

Power of
aldermen.

SEC. 36. That the board of aldermen shall, at their first meeting after election or as soon thereafter as possible, appoint a clerk, a treasurer, a chief of police and a tax collector who shall respectively hold their offices during the pleasure of the

Appointment
of clerk, etc.